Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, Colonel Dennis R. Flanery's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Flanery has devoted more than 39 years of his life to the service of this state and country as both a Non-Commissioned Officer and Officer in the South Dakota National Guard, always striving to achieve the highest possible standard and serving as an example for all to follow; and,

Whereas, Colonel Flanery's loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country and his hard work and dedication to the soldiers of the South Dakota National Guard are without question; and,

Whereas, Colonel Flanery continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Colonel Flanery for more than 39 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 11, 2008, as

COLONEL DENNIS R. FLANERY DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State of